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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid For | | Present Extra | Rate | | Additional Fee |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|------------------|------|----|-------------------|
| Total Claims | 40 | - | 265 | = | 0 | x | 9 | = 0 |
| Independent Claims | 20 | - | 118 | = | 0 | x | 42 | = 0 |
| TOTAL | | | | | | | | \$0 |

B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request

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for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

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